

The Director
Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Griffin:

Last January, in response to my request for assistance in our effort to identify persons who may have been administered drugs without their knowledge or consent as a part of the MKULTRA program conducted in safehouses in New York City and San Francisco, you asked the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration to designate a representative to work with us. Mr. Bensinger designated Mr. Richard E. Salmi, a staff inspector assigned to the Office of Internal Security at DEA, and made him available to us virtually full time since early February.

With the very able help of Mr. Salmi and the gracious cooperation and assistance of many people in DEA, particularly those in the San Francisco office, we have completed our investigation. I am sending my final report to Senator Bayh and Senator Kennedy today informing them that we learned of seven, and possibly eight, cases where LSD had been administered to individuals unwittingly, but were unable to establish with a comfortable degree of certainty that these were the only cases. One of the subjects died of cancer about five years after the incident. Two others have been found and notified. While this cannot be counted as complete success, I nonetheless feel a certain sense of relief from having the reasonable assurance that the program apparently was much less extensive than originally feared.

Your interest and willingness to help in this matter are very much appreciated. I have written separately to Mr. Bensinger expressing to him my appreciation for all the help given by his Administration. Again, many thanks for your cooperation and assistance.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sten".

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cc: The Honorable Peter Bensinger